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SUBJECT: ARA NARCOTICS COORDINATORS CONFERENCE

1. AN ARA-WIDE NARCOTICS COORDINATORS CONFERENCE HAS BEEN
SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 10-11 IN MEXICO CITY. AMBASSADOR
VANCE, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SHLAUDEMAN AND DEA AD-
MINISTRATOR BARTELS ARE PLANNING TO PARTICIPATE, AS ARE
REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER USG AGENCIES ON THE INTER-AGENCY
NARCOTICS CONTROL COMMITTEE IN WASHINGTON.

2. THIS WILL BE THE FIRST OF FOUR REGIONAL NARCOTICS CON-
FERENCES TO BE HELD DURING THE COMING MONTHS THROUGHOUT THE
WORLD. IT WILL PROVIDE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR EMBASSY
NARCOTICS COORDINATORS AND THE WASHINGTON PARTICIPANTS TO
REVIEW IN DEPTH DEVELOPMENTS AND PROBLEMS IN THE INTER-
NATIONAL NARCOTICS EFFORT.

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3. TWO GENERAL AREAS THAT SHOULD RECEIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION AT THE CONFERENCE ARE: (1) THE GROWTH OF DEA'S PRESENCE AND ROLE IN LATIN AMERICA AND DEA-COUNTRY TEAM RELATIONSHIPS IN THIS CONTEXT, AND (2) THE GROWING INTEREST IN SEVERAL LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES IN PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMS. THESE ARE NOT EXCLUSIVE, AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS WILL ALSO BE ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL

WELCOME YOUR SUGGESTIONS AND VIEWS ON TOPICS THAT SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AT THE CONFERENCE. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS BY SEPTEMBER 20 TO PERMIT COMPLETION OF A DETAILED AGENDA FOR TRANSMISSION TO THE FIELD PRIOR TO THE CONFERENCE.

4. POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO SEND THEIR NARCOTICS COORDINATORS TO THE CONFERENCE. THE EMBASSY IN MEXICO HAS A BLOCK OF HOTEL ROOMS RESERVED AT THE MARIA ISABEL SHERATON FOR THE NIGHTS OF OCTOBER 9, 10, AND 11. PLEASE REPORT THE NAME OF YOUR REPRESENTATIVE BY CABLE, WITH AMEMBASSY MEXICO AS INFORMATION ADDRESSEE, INCLUDING WHETHER HOTEL RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. ARA WILL ISSUE THE COORDINATORS' TRAVEL ORDERS UPON RECEIPT OF THEIR NAMES. KISSINGER UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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